

## Red Cross Gives \$310,000 to Aid 'Clean-Up' Drive

An appropriation of \$310,000 for Red Cross work in connection with the "clean-up" campaign instituted by the Government to bring the claims of all disabled service men who are entitled to Federal aid before the proper government bureau for action, has been made by the American Red Cross. The Executive Committee of the American Red Cross in making the appropriation authorized the appropriation of \$35,000 of this sum to the American Legion to defray the expense of the Legion representatives assigned to the various districts of the Veterans Bureau.

The remainder of the appropriation was authorized for apportionment among the several Divisions of the Red Cross for carrying on that part of the "clean-up" work that falls directly upon the Red Cross organization.

## Young America Sends Vast Relief To Needy Abroad

Various relief projects of the Junior American Red Cross in European countries resulted in helping 237,000 destitute children during the last fiscal year, according to the annual report of the American Red Cross for that period. The growth of the activities of the Juniors abroad is manifested by a comparison which shows this figure is 200,000 larger than that of the previous fiscal year.

The National Children's Fund raised by school children, members of the Junior American Red Cross, was drawn upon for \$420,557 for these projects. Receipts for the National Children's Fund during the last fiscal year totalled \$155,917.

### America Succors Russians

Food, clothing and medical relief costing \$700,000 has been provided by the American Red Cross for the thousands of Russian refugees stranded last year in Constantinople and vicinity.

### The Conference Ended.

"I'm waiting for my wife," said the bold, bad man to an attractive young woman he met in a department store.

"Yes?"

"Are you shopping?"

"No."

"Have you any particular place to go just now?"

"No."

"Couldn't we—er—become better acquainted?"

"We could, but I don't think it will be necessary if you behave yourself. I'm the store detective."

### Medium Was Right.

"Divvle a bit do I believe the messages these mediums are after gettin' from the dead," declared Dugan. "Ye can't be tellin' whether they're true or not." "More fool ye. Ye can, and I can prove it," contradicted Monahan. "By mistake I was reported killed entirely in the war, and one day me sister went to a medium who told her I was wishin' I was back on earth. And at that very time I was on a transport in a high sea, d'ye mind?"

## RED CROSS GIVES ANNUAL BUDGET

**\$19,361,657 Allotted for Current Program of Relief and Service.**

### MILLIONS FOR VETERAN AID

**Medical Aid for European Children Will Cost \$6,000,000 This Year.**

Washington.—Expenditures totalling \$19,361,657 for carrying through its program of relief and services in the United States and overseas are outlined in the budget of the American Red Cross for the current fiscal year. This total is more than \$5,000,000 lower than the expenditure during the last fiscal year, when the disbursements reached \$24,492,741, it is announced at National Headquarters in a statement calling attention to the necessity of continued support of the organization by response to the Annual Roll Call, November 11 to 24, if the vital work of the society is to be effectively carried on.

Outstanding among the items of the domestic budget is the appropriation of \$3,669,256 for work in behalf of the disabled ex-service man and his family. This appropriation represents the amount allotted to this work from National Headquarters only and does not take into consideration the millions being spent in chapters for relief of the World War veteran. It is in the chapter that the greater amount is spent in meeting this obligation of the Red Cross, the announcement continues, as manifested by figures of the fiscal year 1920-1921 when the total was approximately \$9,000,000, of which \$2,692,094 represented the disbursement of National Headquarters while the remainder was the chapters' contribution to this field of Red Cross service.

### Vast Work for Disabled

Glief among the sub-divisions of the appropriation for work with veterans is that which concerns itself with assistance to disabled men and women in government hospitals. This item of \$1,790,000, an increase of more than \$500,000 over the appropriation for the same work in last year's budget, will provide those personal services for the disabled and their families which are indispensable to supplement those provided by the government. The director of the Veterans' Bureau has recently expressed his desire that the Red Cross should continue and extend these "humanizing services." Other items of the appropriation for veterans' relief are proportionately increased. An additional appropriation of \$469,600 has been made for Red Cross work in connection with regular Army and Navy hospitals and with the regular Army and Navy.

For disaster relief, the Red Cross has set aside for the current twelve months an appropriation of \$543,976, virtually doubling the appropriation for the same purpose for the fiscal year 1920-1921.

More than \$2,000,000 is provided for service and assistance to the 3,600 Red Cross chapters by the national organization.

### Helping Destitute Children

Other items of the domestic budget include \$498,546 for miscellaneous activities, including contributions restricted for special purposes and \$768,000 for management. Each of these items represents large reductions over similar appropriations of the previous year.

From a fund of \$10,000,000, \$5,000,000 of which was contributed through the European Relief Council campaign and \$5,000,000 allotted by the Red Cross for child welfare work in Europe, there remains \$8,765,108 still available, of which it is estimated that \$6,000,000 will be required for this work during the current year. For Red Cross participation in the joint effort to relieve famine conditions in Russia, for final work in the China famine, for Junior Red Cross and other overseas activities including the closing of the old general relief program in Europe \$4,978,000 is made available.

In announcing the national budget, the Red Cross makes it clear that the figures do not include chapter expenditures or place any cash estimate on the invaluable service of volunteers in chapters.

**CARRYING ON  
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DISABLED VETERANS  
OF THE WORLD WAR  
THAT IS COSTING  
\$10,000,000 A YEAR,  
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FULFILL THIS  
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TO ITS DEFENDERS.  
HELP THE RED CROSS  
CONTINUE THIS WORK  
BY ANSWERING THE  
ANNUAL ROLL CALL  
NOVEMBER 11-24, 1921.**

## 850 DISASTER DEATH TOLL FOR ONE YEAR

**Red Cross Gives \$1,871,000 Relief When 65,000 Families Are Made Homeless.**

Forty-three disasters, resulting in the death in the United States of 850 persons and the injury of 2,500 called for emergency relief measures and the expenditure of \$1,871,000 by the American Red Cross during the fiscal year ending June 30, 1921, says an announcement based upon the forthcoming annual report of the Red Cross. These disasters caused property damage estimated at \$30,000,000, affected sixty-seven communities and rendered 65,000 families homeless.

The year's disasters were of varying types, including several which previously had never been thought of as falling within that classification. The Red Cross furnished relief in seventeen fires of magnitude, five floods, seven tornadoes or cyclones, one devastating storm, three

explosions, including the one in Wall street; one building accident, two typhoid epidemics, the most serious being that at Salem, Ohio, which affected 9 per cent of the population; one smallpox epidemic, in the republic of Haiti; one train wreck, the race riot at Tulsa, Okla.; the famine in China, emergency relief in famine among the Indians of Alaska, the grasshopper plague in North Dakota and an earthquake in Italy.

### Pueblo Most Serious

By far the most severe of the disasters in the United States during the period covered by the Red Cross report was the Pueblo flood early in June, 1921. The rehabilitation problem confronting the Red Cross in Pueblo was one of the most difficult in recent years. When the first news of the horror was flashed throughout the country, the American Red Cross National Headquarters responded with a grant of \$105,000 for relief work. Governor Shoup of Colorado, appreciating the long and successful experience of the Red Cross in organizing disaster relief work, placed the entire responsibility for the administration of relief in its hands.

In response to appeals from President Harding, Governor Shoup and other governors of western states and through local chapters of the Red Cross and other community organizations, public-spirited citizens brought the total contributed for Pueblo's rehabilitation to more than \$325,000.

The terrible havoc wrought by the flood waters is a matter of record. More than 2,300 homes were affected and 7,851 persons were left homeless. Estimates of \$500,000 as an absolute minimum for rehabilitation were made by Red Cross officials in charge of the relief work.

### Fast Work in Wall Street

The Wall street explosion was notable in that relief workers of the Red Cross were on the scene twenty minutes after the disaster occurred. The race riot at Tulsa also was unique in disaster relief annals in that outside of a small emergency relief fund contributed by the Red Cross, the only relief measures outside the city consisted of the service of social workers, nurses and a trained executive whose object was to assist local forces in directing their own efforts.

In decided contrast with the previous year, only one tornado assumed the proportions of a major disaster. This occurred on April 15, in the border sections of Texas and Arkansas with the city of Texarkana as the center. The significant feature of this disaster relief work was the fact that it covered so much rural territory as to make necessary a large number of relief workers.

The famine in China, necessitating relief expenditures totalling more than \$1,000,000 by the American Red Cross was by far the most serious of the foreign disasters in which the Red Cross gave aid.

### Builds Up Its Machinery

In connection with the administration of disaster relief measures, an increasing effectiveness on the part of the Red Cross to deal with emergencies was manifested during the past year. In 328 Chapters of the American Red Cross there have been formed special committees to survey the resources of their respective communities and to be prepared in case of disaster. In others of the 3,402 active Chapters, a network of communication has been formed through which instantaneous relief may be dispatched to any part of the United States.